The Daily Courant.

Saturday, November 13. 1708.

Madrid, Oct. 23.

M. d'Aubanton and Don Pedro Navarraſe cannot agree in a Valuation of the Recompence deſerv'd by the French Ships of War for convoying home the Spaniſh Flota from the Weſt Indies: But having both of them ſent their Computations hither, the Queſtion will ſoon be decided. The Marquis of Caſtel-Rodrigo has drawn up in Writing an ample Scheme of Meaſures which he thinks proper to be taken for inducing the Princes and States of Italy to enter into a League with the Pope againſt the Houſe of Auſtria: The Marquis de Monteleone has written a large Letter to the King on the ſame Subject: And the Prince of Santo Bueno has done the like, concluding his Letter to this purpoſe, *viz.* that if the Republick of Venice were not apprehenſive of Inconſtancy and Fluctuation in the Pope's Councils, they would not be backward to lend him their Aſſiſtance for maintaining and defending the Liberty of Italy. Yet our Court will not act in this Affair ſeparately, but abſolutely in Concert with and by Direction from the King of France, who will infallibly leave nothing unattempted to blow up a War between the Pope and the Emperour. In the mean time this Court are ſettling the Form of an Oath of Fidelity which they deſign to cauſe to be taken throughout Spain to the Prince of Aſturias, as lawful Succeſſor of the Crown; and the Royal Council of Caſtile have given the King their Advice in Writing, concerning the Manner or Ceremonies of Adminiſtring that Oath.

Hague, Nov. 16. 'Letters from Paris of the 'gth of this Month adviſe, that the Marſhal de 'Theſſe had given the King great Hopes of a War 'in Italy; intimating, that the Pope has ſome Aſſi'ſtance, underhand, from a certain Republick ſi'tuate at no very great Diſtance from him. They 'add, that 12 Battallions, 3 Squadrons of Horſe, 'and 3 of Dragoons, are ſoon to be imbark'd at 'Marſeilles for Civita Vecchia. Our Advices from 'Genoa of the 27th of October, tell us that the 'Heat with which that Republick began to arm, 'is at preſent much abated; and that they cauſe 'their new Levies, amounting to about 7000 Men, 'to be exercis'd to Arms and taught military Diſci'pline; but forbear to augment them.

Plymouth, Nov. 9. Yeſterday came in from Cruizing the Salisbury, who has brought in with her the Jacob of St. Malo, of 100 Ton from Newfoundland. Arriv'd the Deal Caſtle who parted the 6th near Scilly from the Greenwich and Lynn, who had about 32 Merchant-Ships from Barbadoes under their Convoy.

Shields, Nov. 8. Yeſterday the Men of War with the Tranſports under their Convoy, having on board 2 Regiments, ſail'd hence with a fair Wind for Oſtend.

London, November 13.

Yeſterday arriv'd the Mail from Holland of Tueſday laſt.

From the Amſterdam Gazette, dated Nov. 20.

Milan, Nov. 6. 'Tis reported, that General Thaun wai's only for 10 Cannon and ſome Mortars, which are drawn out of our Arſenal, to attack Bologna; the Inhabitants of which Place ſeem more diſpos'd to ſubmit, than to ſuffer a Bombardment.

From the Paris Gazette, dated November 17.

From the Camp at Saulſoy, Nov. 10. The Army continues encamp'd in the ſame Poſts; and becauſe of the Rigour of the Seaſon, the Duke of Burgundy has commanded the Troops to make Barracks for the Men and Horſes, and that Hay and Oats be furniſh'd to the Cavalry, who were oblig'd to go 7 or 8 Leagues to forrage. The Army has Proviſions likewiſe in Abundance, whereas that of the Enemy is in Want. They have ſent a great Detachment to la Baſſee, to endeavour to get Corn from the Province of Artois, where the greateſt Part is carried into fortified Places; and M. de Chelade Lieutenant General march'd out of Arras the 9th with 4000 Horſe, to oppoſe their Incurſions. As for the Siege of the Citadel of Liſle, the Enemy make their Approaches by the Sap, and are raiſing two large Batteries of Cannon and one of Mortars, which have not yet begun to fire: This confirms the Accounts we had that they have but little Powder, and that they contrive to husband it well. On the other Hand, the Artillery of the Citadel makes a continual Fire, and kills them a great many Men. Prince Eugene's Infantry being very much diminiſh'd and fatigu'd, he has deſir'd and receiv'd a Reinforcement of 9 Battallions from the Army of my Lord Marlborough.

From the Amſterdam Courant, dated Nov. 20.

From the Camp at Rouſſelaer, Nov. 10. The Earl of Stairs having paſs'd the Rivulet of Iperle near Dixmuyde, with his Detachment and two Cannon, attack'd the Fort which covers that Place, in which the Enemy had 6 Companies of Grenadiers commanded by a Lieutenant Collonel and 8 Captains, who after a weak Reſiſtance yielded themſelves Priſoners of War. In the Action, the Major of Meredith's Regiment was kill'd, with 2 or 3 other Officers.

From the Camp at Rouſſelaer, Nov. 14. The Prince d'Auvergne is encamp'd between la Baſſee and Lens with 34 Squadrons, and has ſent from thence a conſiderable quantity of Corn to Prince Eugene's Army. The 9th Inſtant the Earl of Stairs attack'd the Fort which covers Dixmuyd, and cary'd it after a very ſhort Reſiſtance, making Priſoners a Lieutenant Collonel with 200 Grenadiers. The 10th Brigadier Evars march'd from Longemarcq, and joyn'd the Earl of Stairs with 5 Battallions of Foot and 600 Horſe.

The 12th Major General Cadogan went together with Brigadier Cronſtrom to Turcoyn, where they were met by the Commiſſioners appointed by the Court of France to treat with them about the Exchange

change of Prisoners; and his Grace has an account that they have made a good progress in that Affair. The Earl of Stairs writes from Loo near Dixmuyde, that the Country thereabouts bring in their Cattle, Corn, and other Provisions, at the Price he offers, in greater abundance than could be expected; which will be forwarded, as fast as Carriages can be provided, to the Army. Upon advice that part of the Enemy's Troops are in Motion towards Newport, his Grace has order'd a further Reinforcement of Horse and Foot to joyn the Earl of Stairs.

From the Amsterdam Gazette, dated November 20.

Letters of the 13th from the Camp before the Citadel of Lisle, say the Besiegers had by sapping made themselves Masters of the first Cover'd-Way; and that the Batteries were to be alter'd because they were a little too low, so that they would not begin to fire before the 16th or 17 h.

From the Leiden Courant, dated November 21.

Hague, Nov. 20. Letters from Lisle and from the Army, dated the 14th, say, the French had abandon'd the first Cover'd-Way of the Citadel, two Places of Arms excepted which 'twas reckon'd would be carried the next Day by sapping. A Battery was rais'd on the first Cover'd-Way, and the Workmen had begun to drain the Water out of the Ditch of the second Cover'd-Way, after the taking of which the Batteries were to play. From the French Army 'twas advis'd, that the Duke of Berwick was to put himself at the Head of the Body of Troops drawn together in Artois, and that a Reinforcement was come to joyn them from Germany. The Duke of Vendome is said to be indispos'd of the Gout at Tournay. The Report that the Detachment under the Earl of Stairs had surpriz'd Furnes, proves false. Two Squadrons, and two Battalions of Prince Albegt, (Prussian), Part of the Earl of Stair's Detachment posted in the District of Furnes, have been surpriz'd in the Village of Bauvorde near Furnes, and made Prisoners of War.

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